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TAGS: BEXP, VE

SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT, GURI HYDROELECTRIC PLANT

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REF: (A) CARACAS 12617; (B) STATE 277799

1. WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED BY ALLIS-CHALMERS HYDRO TURBINE DIVISION THAT TENDER SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE GURI SECOND POWERHOUSE HYDRO TURBINES WERE RELEASED ON FEBRUARY 4 BY EDELCA WITH A BID DATE OF MAY 15. SPECIFICATIONS WERE ISSUED TO EIGHT FIRMS: DEW (CANADA), ALSTHOM (FRANCE), ESCHER-WYSS (SWITZERLAND), VOITH (GERMANY), NOHAB (SWEDEN), HITACHI (JAPAN), TOSHIBA (JAPAN), AND A-C (U.S.). PREQUALIFICATIONS WERE NOT REQUIRED SINCE THESE FIRMS ALL PREQUALIFIED OR BID ON PREVIOUS GURI HYDRO TURBINE TENDERS.

2. THE SPECIFICATIONS REQUIRE THE BIDDERS TO QUOTE ON VARIOUS OPTIONS FOR THE DESIGN, SUPPLY, AND SUPERVISION OF ERECTION OF THE TEN 610 MW HYDRO TURBINE UNITS. ANOTHER REQUIREMENT IN THE SPECIFICATIONS IS LOCAL MANUFACTURING OF CERTAIN TURBINE COMPONENTS. THOUGH, A-C FEELS LOCAL  
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VENEZUELAN CONTENT WILL NOT EXCEED 5 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL

DEVELOPMENT OF A SUCCESSFUL PROPOSAL.

3. REGARDING FINANCING, THE SPECIFICATIONS STATES  
THAT CONTRACT PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE FROM INTERNAL EDELCA  
FUNDS. ON THIS POINT, WE WIS TO REITERATE THE FACT  
THAT AVAILABILITY OF FINANCING MAKES THIS PROJECT  
EXTREMELY ATTRACTIVE TO U.S. BIDDERS AS WELL AS OTHERS.  
EMBASSY'S COMMENTS WOULD BE APPRECIATED. INGERSOLL

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